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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 8, 2016

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Martin Ackley, Office of Public and Governmental Affairs

SUBJECT: State and Federal Legislative Update

MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 7, 2016:

HB 4089 **SCHOOL AID** (Pscholka) - A bill to provide for FY 2015-16 school aid appropriations was re-referred to the House Appropriations Committee.

HB 4388 **SINKING FUNDS** (McCready) - A bill to expand school district's permissible use of sinking funds to include school security improvements and technology was reported from the Senate Appropriations Committee.

HB 5291 **EDUCATION OMNIBUS** (Pscholka) - A bill to provide for fiscal year 2016-17 fiscal year budget for school aid, higher education and community colleges was reported from the Senate Appropriations Committee as a substitute bill.

HB 5382 **DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS** (Pscholka) - A bill to provide for an earmark to community district education was re-referred to the House Appropriations Committee.

HB 5807 **TEACHER SHORTAGE** (Kosowski) - A bill to create the teacher shortage prevention act was introduced and referred to the House Appropriations Committee.

September 8, 2016:

HB 5753 **TRANSPORTATION** (Price) - A bill to amend requirements for transportation of pupils was reported from House Education Committee with an amendment.

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MICHIGAN SENATE

September 6, 2016:

SB 1039 **IMMUNIZATIONS** (Colbeck) - A bill to prohibit the promulgation of certain rules by the Department of Health and Human Services that are more stringent than the requirements for claiming exemption from immunizations was introduced and referred to the Senate Education Committee.

SB 1040 **IMMUNIZATIONS** (Colbeck) - A bill to prohibit the promulgation of certain rules by the Department of Health and Human Services that are more stringent than the vaccination exemptions provided in statute and exclude individuals from school as a disease control measure was introduced and referred to the Senate Education Committee.

SB 1046 **TRANSPORTATION** (Colbeck) - A bill to amend requirements for transportation of pupils was introduced and referred to the Senate Education Committee.

September 7, 2016:

HB 5314 **YOUTH ATHLETICS** (Hooker) - A bill to specify the frequency of training and modify the form retention requirement for training programs and written clearance forms regarding concussions in youth athletes and their return to athletic activity was reported from the Senate Health Policy Committee.

FEDERAL UPDATE

ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Assessments and the Innovative Assessment Pilot

The U.S. Department of Education has published in the Federal Register Notices of Proposed Rulemaking on Assessments and the Innovation Assessment Demonstration Authority under Title I of ESSA. The Assessment proposal is based upon proposals that the Negotiated Rulemaking Committee reached consensus on in April, while the Innovative Assessment Pilot proposal is new language.

CONGRESS

Congressional Recess

Both the House and Senate returned to Washington D.C. on Tuesday, September 6. Activity around Perkins reauthorization and some sort of appropriations measure is expected before the end of the federal fiscal year on September 30.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these or other legislative issues, please contact me at (517) 241-4395.